

# FARM POULTRY

## WASHING MACHINE FOR EGGS

Increased Profits Made by Putting Product of Hens in Neat and Attractive Packages.

It has been found by those who handle foodstuffs that it pays to put the goods up in attractive shape or packages. It is no uncommon thing to see vegetables tied up in ribbons, and fruit, which formerly traveled in barrels, is now packed in small boxes resembling confectionery in the way they are handled. The same applies



Washing Eggs.

to the fruit of the henry. An egg farmer who gets a reputation for the quality and appearance of his eggs will always get a premium above the price for his product, and this increased price makes it worth while for him to exercise the necessary care. Such persons not only examine each egg before it is shipped, but they are also washed by hand, in order that they present an immaculate appearance when placed on view. The machine shown in the accompanying cut has been recently patented for the purpose of washing eggs. It does the work as well as if done by hand and much more rapidly.

## FOWL WITH LARGE APPETITE

May Be Picked Out on Roost at Night by Size of Crop—Judge Capacity by Shape of Body.

The hen with a large appetite can be picked out on the roost at night by the size of the crop. The capacity of a bird may be judged by the shape of the body. The jointed ribs allow the rear part of the body to expand downward, taking on a wedge-shape, as the digestive system and reproductive organs demand more room. This spread may be judged by the distance between the rear end of the breast bone and the pelvic bones. A bird spread from heavy production should not be confused with one spread from being overfat.

The high producer invariably shows what we might term as quality, that is, soft, pliable skin over breast bone and abdominal cavity.

The skin of the nonproducer or the bird out of condition will have a hard leathery or drawn feeling.

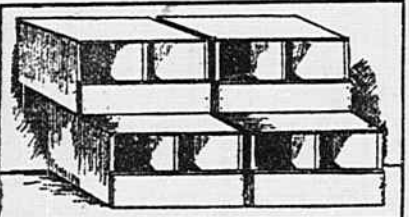
While the shape of the overfat hen may indicate capacity, the body cavity is filled with fat rather than organs of digestion and production, and the skin is lacking in that quality which appears in the high producer.

## MAKE NEST BOXES MOVABLE

Easy Opportunity Afforded to Give House Thorough Cleaning and Fight Injurious Vermin.

Everything in the henhouse should be movable—nests, roosts, dust boxes, etc. This gives an easy chance to fight vermin, and also to give the house a thorough cleaning. The old practice of nailing nests, roosts and all fixtures to the building was a bad mistake, and there is no wonder that lice reigned supreme.

T. W. Vare, Hammonton, N. J., has



Common-Sense Nest Boxes.

a novel nest method. Ordinary boxes are used; these are so placed that the lower box provides a platform for the upper nest, upon which the hens can easily alight. These nests are readily taken outdoors and thoroughly cleaned. The illustration gives the idea very clearly.—Farm Journal.

## HARD WORK HANDLING DUCKS

Easier to Care for Fowls in Large Flocks Than Small—Grower Turns His Money Quickly.

Ducks can be handled in large numbers better than most other fowls and the grower turns his money quickly, for by the end of summer he is cleaned out, having only a few scores or many hundreds of breeders to carry through the winter, the number depending on the size of his business. Yet the work is exceedingly exacting and most arduous while the busy season lasts.

**Pelvic Bones of Best Layers.**  
The best layers usually have slender, pliable pelvic bones, while the poor layers have hard, rigid bones even though they are spread during production.

## DESIRES OF FARM WOMEN

Evidently Not All Are Satisfied With the Condition of Affairs as Existing Today.

Among the requests and suggestions for government aid—which I quote literally—were calls for a law to make a farmer go shares with his wife, or else pay her one dollar a day for her work; for fireless cookers, vacuum cleaners, washing machines, dishwashing machines, teachers with horse sense, a better grade of tea, coffee, and dried fruit at country stores, a traveling government doctor, a traveling government nurse, electric lights and trolley lines for isolated farms, cook books, books of fiction, traveling schools and traveling libraries, illustrated lectures, "moovies" and phonograph concerts sent around to the farms, a better knowledge of rural sanitation, better supervision of children at the "little red schoolhouse," both in point of morals and health; a system of rural transportation for school children on the same free basis as rural free delivery; a law that will prevent men from lingering in the country store instead of going straight home with what they were sent for. Said one discouraged woman: "What's the use of buying more land to raise more corn to feed more hogs to buy more land?" Many women complained of excessive rates of farm loans, showing the greater number of letter writers lived on heavily mortgaged farms. One woman summed up the situation by saying: "What we really need most is plenty of ready money," and another hit the nail squarely on the head when she said: "It seems to me it all depends on the kind of man we live with." A Georgia man wrote in place of his wife, saying: "Send us some cook books, the women down here use too much grease in preparing their meals." Now and then came a letter from a contented woman, but comparatively few seemed satisfied with either their surroundings or their "men folks."—"The Woman With the Hoe," by Mrs. George F. Richards, in National Magazine.

## HIS HEART IN CALIFORNIA

Peculiar Comment of Iowa Boy That Is Put on Record by Los Angeles Newspaper.

An Iowa family had located in sunny California and were very happy with their surroundings, but the mother noticed, with regret, that her young son had lost all interest in his native state, while she wished him always to remember lovingly the land of his birth. One day, calling him to her, she said:

"Son, sit down and listen while I read you a few lines from a speech delivered at Des Moines, Iowa, by Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, pastor of Plymouth church, Brooklyn" (who had also been an Iowa boy).

The mother read: "Young man, don't leave your state thinking there is a better country in the East or West. God Almighty smiled when he made New York and Seattle, but he laughed outright with his blessing when he made Iowa."

The lad, springing to his feet, shouted, "H'm, I'll bet God just roared when he made California."—Los Angeles Times.

### Serving Dinner.

With the help of this suggestion women who do their own work and have a good deal of company can arrange things so that with the aid of their tea wagons they can serve four-course dinners without getting up from the table or leaving the room. The cold dessert has presented many a problem, as well as the hot main course. One way to keep things hot after they are ready for the table is to put the serving dishes into a home-made "fireless" fixed up for the purpose. Line a large candy box with asbestos and paint it white. Tightly covered, things keep hot in it for fifteen or twenty minutes, giving time to get the first course out of the way. When you do not need this box to keep the main course hot, use it to keep the dessert cold. It delays the melting of ice cream, for instance.

### Good Use for Idols.

A missionary in Travancore, southern India, saw one morning a native coming to his house with a heavy burden. On reaching it he laid on the ground a sack. Unfastening it, he emptied it of its contents—a number of idols. "What have you brought these here for?" asked the missionary. "I don't want them." "You have taught us that we do not want them, sir," said the native; "but I think they might be put to good use. Could they not be melted down and made into a bell for our church?" The hint was taken. They sent the idols to a bell founder, who made them into a bell which now summons the native converts to praise and prayer.

### Even Then She Didn't Smile.

The young woman had spent a busy day. She had browbeaten 14 salespeople, bullyragged a floorwalker, argued victoriously with a milliner, laid down the law to a modiste, nipped in the bud a taxi chauffeur's attempt to overcharge her, made a street car conductor stop the car in the middle of a block for her, discharged her maid and engaged another, and otherwise refused to allow herself to be imposed upon. Yet she did not smile that night when a young man begged: "Let me be your protector through life!"

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## Auditor's Notice.

All persons owning property of any kind whatsoever, or in any capacity, as husband, guardian, executor, administrator or trustees are required to make returns of the same to the Auditor under oath within the time mentioned below and the Auditor is required by law to add a penalty of 5 per cent to all property that is not returned on or before the 20th day of February in any year.

All male citizens between the ages of 21 and 60 years except those exempt by law are deemed taxable polls. The 50 per cent penalty will be added for failure to make returns.

For the convenience of tax payers, I or my representative will be at the following appointed places on the dates mentioned to receive tax returns:

Ropers, Wednesday, Jan. 12, 1916.  
Meriwether, Thursday Jan. 13.  
Colliers, Friday Jan. 14.  
Red Hill, Saturday Jan. 15.  
Clark's Hill, Monday Jan. 17.  
Modoc, Tuesday Jan. 18.  
Parksville, Wednesday Jan. 19.  
Plum Branch, Thursday, Jan. 20.  
Morgan's Store, Friday Jan. 21.  
Liberty Hill, Saturday Jan. 22.  
Cleora, Monday, Jan. 24.  
Pleasant Lane, Tuesday Jan. 25.  
Meeting Street, Wednesday Jan. 26.  
Johnston, Thursday, Jan. 27.  
Herring's Store, Friday, Jan. 28.  
Trenton, Saturday, Jan. 29.

The office will be open to receive returns from the first day of January till the 20th day of Feb. 1916, as prescribed by law.

J. R. TIMMERMAN,  
Auditor, E. C. S. C.  
Dec. 8—1915.

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No.		Time
108	Augusta, Trenton	8:20 a m
130	Columbia, Trenton	9:40 a m
110	Aiken, Augusta	3:00 p m
106	Columbia, Augusta	8:30 p m

Trains depart for		
No.		Time
109	Trenton, Columbia	7:20 a m
129	Trenton, Augusta	9:45 a m
131	Aug-Columbia-Aiken	11:45 a m
107	Augusta, Columbia	7:30 p m

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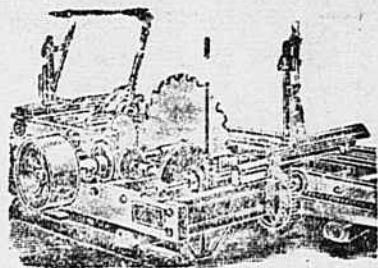
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## Treasurer's Notice.

The County Treasurer's office will be open for the purpose of receiving taxes from the 15th day of October, 1915, to the 15th day of March, 1916.

All taxes shall be due and payable between the 15th day of October, 1915, and December 31st, 1915.

That when taxes charged shall not be paid by December 31st, 1915, the County Auditor shall proceed to add a penalty of one per cent. for January, and if taxes are not paid on or before February 1st, 1916, the County Auditor will proceed to add two per cent., and five per cent. from the 1st of March to the 15th of March, after which time all unpaid taxes will be collected by the Sheriff.

The tax levies for the year 1915 are as follows:

For State purposes	7 Mills
" Ordinary County	6 "
" Cons. School Tax	3 "
" Bacon School District	4 "
" Edgefield School District	5 "
" Long Cane S. D.	3 "
" Liberty Hill S. D.	3 "
" Johnston S. D.	8 "
" Collier's S. D.	3 "
" Flat Rock S. D.	4 "
" Elmwood S. D. No. 8	2 "
" Elmwood S. D. No. 9	2 "
" Elmwood S. D. No. 30	2 "
" Hibler Township	3 "
" P. Branch S. D.	5 "
" White Town S. D.	4 "
" Trenton S. D.	5 "
" Ward Township	2 "
" Moss Township	3 "
" Parksville S. D.	4 "
" Modoc S. D.	2 "
" Oak Grove	3 "
" Red Hill S. D.	4 "
" Antioch S. D.	2 "
" Shaw Township	4 "
" Talbert Township	2 "
" R R Bonds Wise T'sp	1 14 "
" R R Bonds Pickens	3 "
" R R Bonds Johnston	3 "
" R R Bonds Pine Grove	12 "
" R R Bonds Blocker (portion)	12 "
" R R Bonds Elmwood	12 "
" R R Bonds Elmwood-Pickens	3 "
" Edgefield sch'l bldg.	2 "
Town of Edgefield Corporation purposes	10 "

All the male citizens between the ages of 21 years and 60 years except those exempt by law are liable to a poll tax of One Dollar each. A capitation tax of 50 cents each is to be paid on all dogs.

The law prescribes that all male citizens between the ages of 18 and 55 years must pay \$2 commutation tax or work six days on the public roads. As this is optional with the individual, no commutation tax is included in the property tax. So ask for road tax receipt when you desire to pay road tax.

JAMES T. MIMS,  
Co. Treas. E. C.

### Real Estate For Sale.

Immediately after the public sales of real estate by the Master in Equity on salesday in January, 1916, the same being the 3rd day of the month, 200 acres of the land belonging to the estate of the late Mary A. Miller will be sold from the court house steps to the highest bidder for division. The said tracts of 200 acres is bounded on the north by the New Market road, on the east by land of F. F. Rainsford, on the south by land formerly known as the Harling land, and on the west by land of the estate of Mrs. Miller.

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